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# MONTANA KAIMIN

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## Searching the night sky



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"He was always just a really laid back, nice guy," said Zack Mcgarvey, a junior majoring in physics with an option in astronomy, at last night's star party on the Oval in memory of David Friend, an astronomy and physics professor who died in May. Despite a cloudy start to the party, stargazers waited out a slight drizzle and lightening in the distance to enjoy the sights of Jupiter and four of its moons, the Andromeda Galaxy, and Arcturus, among other stars.

## ASUM opposes retake fee

Allison Maier  
MONTANA KAIMIN

A proposed \$50 class retake fee may be reconsidered by the committee that approved it after a unanimous decision by the ASUM senate declared their disapproval of the policy Wednesday night.

Former ASUM senator Scott Goche, who sits on the Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee, which approved the new fee Tuesday, said the policy may be reconsidered by the committee, but that nothing has been decided yet.

"It's tentative. We're looking at re-circling the bandwagons," he said.

The new policy would require students to pay \$50, in addition to the fee they pay for the course anyway, when they register to retake a class. The student's retake grade would then automatically replace the grade they received in the course previously.

Under the current policy, when students retake a class, the grade they receive will be averaged with

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## Family, students, colleagues gather to honor astronomy professor

Amy Faxson  
MONTANA KAIMIN

As the sun set Wednesday, 60 to 70 people gathered on the Oval to peer through telescopes at Jupiter and the Ring and Andromeda nebulas in honor of the late physics and astronomy professor David Friend.

For the first hour of the star party, the sky was covered in clouds but David's family, colleagues and friends waited the clouds out and ended up seeing Jupiter and four of its moons, a couple of nebulas and a binary star.

"Dave was up there blowing the clouds away," said Diane Friend, David's widow and fellow astronomy professor. "Dave hated calling the weather. Before the party I could hear him up there saying, 'I'm glad it's you and not me,'" predicting the weather for the star party.

David, 54, loved every aspect of astronomy, especially cosmology – the study of the evolution and origin of the universe, Diane said. She had problems picking her husband's favorite part of astronomy.

"That's kind of like asking 'What's your favorite food?'" she said. "He just loved it all."

On May 22, David died after a long battle with Crohn's disease and cancer. The David B. Friend Memorial Fund has been established through the University of Montana Foundation in his honor and will be awarded to a student who shows excellence in science teaching and outreach.

"He was very interested in getting people excited about science and their place in the universe," Diane said. "(He liked) providing opportunities for people to share his love of observing and working to understanding the universe."

David taught astronomy, astrophysics and physics courses at UM for 18 years. From 2005 to 2008 he chaired the physics and astronomy department. In 2005 he received the University of Montana Distinguished Teaching Award.

David received his Ph.D. in astrophysics from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Before accepting a job at UM, he worked at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, the University of Wisconsin, Williams College in Massachusetts and Weber State University in Utah.

Diane said she was planning on hosting an event on campus during fall semester so students could come and honor him. She hadn't planned on doing anything before fall until staff members expressed interest in having a memorial in late May at the Davidson Honors College because they needed closure.

Although she hosted the event in May, Diane said that when she returned to classes in the fall, a

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## Sagging economy most affects students with loans from private lenders

Mike Gerrity  
MONTANA KAIMIN

As Congress struggles to reach a consensus on a bailout package for America's crippled financial institutions, Montana college students may wonder how the crisis affects them.

Mick Hanson, director of UM's financial aid office, said the students who will most likely suffer from the recent crisis are those who depend on loans from private lenders.

"These students will be affected immediately," Hanson said, adding that any student who has been declined or rejected by a private lender should go to the financial aid office as soon as possible to look for other options.

Last year, about 300 students at UM, nearly 2 percent of the total student body, applied for just under \$1 million in loans from private lenders.

"UM doesn't recommend private student loans unless it's their very last resort," Hansen said.

Sen. Max Baucus' office in Washington, D.C., warned that as the economic situation worsens, families that rely on loans from outside federal student loan programs may be severely affected.

"As loans become more difficult to obtain and interest rates rise, students may no longer be able to pay for college," Baucus' office said in an emailed statement.

For those students who are relying on student loans from Montana-based institutions, however, Hanson said he sees nothing on the horizon that would jeopardize their ability to offer loans to students.

"The vast majority of the loans are coming from Montana lenders, many of which are local banks that know their clientele," Hanson said.

Interest rates on federally subsidized

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## Editorial

Griz football fans  
should recycle cans

For an oblivious football observer like myself, the most lasting memory of the last week's Griz game wasn't the final-second, game-winning 42-yard field goal. It was the mountains of aluminum cans spilling from garbage cans, and abandoned plastic cups, paper flyers and GameDay Kaimins littering the sidewalks and streets surrounding the stadium.

To me, this image is a stark contrast to the culture of sustainability the University of Montana has been hyping lately. On Wednesday, UM lowered its building temperatures and banned space heaters and speeding in University vehicles. It's all part of President George Dennison's plan to fulfill the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment, which requires participating institutions to pursue "climate neutrality."

But for seven Saturdays this fall, thousands of people will roll or fly into Missoula by car, truck, bus, RV or plane, spouting carbon dioxide emissions from their tailpipes and tailgate parties and leaving a tide of plastic beer cups and cans in their wake.

Before I become the most unpopular person at UM, I want to clarify that I'm not against football games or having fun outside of them. Griz games help sustain our local economy and over a home-game weekend, hundreds of thousands of dollars are pumped into our hotels, shops and restaurants. But there's also a price to be paid by the university for ignoring other waste and emissions.

According to Carey Lemer of the Facilities Services Recycling Program, aluminum-recycling receptacles are located sporadically throughout the tailgates, parking lots and along the walkways during the games. Reminders to help keep UM "green" by recycling are announced periodically throughout the games and at half time. But the recycling containers are hard to find — almost everyone I've asked said they didn't know recycling was provided at the games — and, as my friends who enjoy their tailgate libations can attest, the last thing on most people's minds is hunting down a green bin for their cans of PBR when the blue one right there (or the ground) will suffice.

I think that UM's effort to provide recycling at the games is commendable but insufficient. Awareness changes behavior, and people will only recycle if it's made easy for them. More receptacles — including ones for newspaper and cardboard — are needed, as well as signage and better advertising of their whereabouts.

Fans also have a responsibility to make the games more sustainable. Besides turning off RV generators, tailgaters could reduce their production of waste by investing in a keg instead of that 30-rack of Keystone, or by bringing their own reusable glasses to the festivities.

Sure, it's more work. But President Dennison was recently quoted in a Kaimin article about the new initiatives saying, "There is sacrifice involved, but it's worth it on the other end," and we "can't conserve and do business as usual."

If we're going to make our custodians work in colder temperatures, our tailgaters can drink their chilled brews from reusable containers.

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## Correction:

In Wednesday's Kaimin, the Web site for Saga Outerwear was incorrect. The correct Web site for the company is [www.sagaouterwear.com](http://www.sagaouterwear.com).

## DROPPIN' THE 'BAUM

on the vice-presidential debate

By Alex Tenenbaum



Sure, tonight's vice presidential debate looks about as sure as a tussle between the Montana Grizzlies and the New York Giants, what with Sarah Palin's interview blunders in recent weeks. But with her triumphant debate record paired with Joe Biden's tedious rambling and invariably odd remarks, the night has all the makings of a possible upset.

In a 2006 debate during Alaska's race for governor, Palin was certainly the underdog. But she used it to her advantage and cried partiality with a single, off-the-cuff remark insinuating that the mediator was biased since he had once worked for her opponent. But she didn't dare say all of that. Rather, speaking to the mediator, she simply referred to her opponent as, "your old boss." It was cunning, it was graceful, and it is key to tonight's debate.

The moderator for tonight's debate, Gwen Ifill, is currently writing a book called "The Breakthrough: Politics and Race in the Age of Obama," to be released on inauguration day. She stands to make a whole lot more money with her celebration of Obama if the president being inaugurated actually is Obama. It will be uncharacteristic if Palin doesn't make some mention of the mediator's supposed bias tonight.

In Alaska's gubernatorial debates, Palin faced off against former governor Tony Knowles and former state legislator Andrew Halcro. These guys knew their stuff. Halcro could roll out statistic after statistic, while Knowles made logical, albeit somewhat longwinded, arguments for his specific policy measures. They were at the height of bureaucracy. But now, two years after suffering utter defeat, they openly admit to being baffled by how Palin's vague, breezy answers swept audi-

ences into her camp.

"When you try to prove she doesn't know anything, you lose, because audiences are enraptured by her," Halcro told the LA Times. "And her biting comments give you a sense of how competitive she is. Anybody who doesn't take her seriously does so at their own peril."

Biden seems to have heeded the warning, and has been quoted saying she is a formidable opponent, while also saying that he will go easy on her. Maybe he'll try to go easy because he YouTubed her performance at a political forum where Halcro needled Palin about her position on abortion. While the audience applauded in agreement with Halcro, Palin just took the microphone and said "abortion [is] a sensitive, private issue being used to divide and politicize." Before she redirected to answer the question that was asked, she smiled warmly and added, "Andrew, bless your heart, you know my position on abortion. I'm pro-life."

In the final question of the final debate, a panelist asked whether she'd give her rivals a job in her administration. Palin pounced.

Looking first to Halco, she smiled, took on a voice of encouragement and said, "Andrew Halcro would be the most awesome statistician that the state could even look for. Yeah, Andrew would be the statistician." With the same enthusiasm, she turned to Knowles, who owns a delicatessen in Juneau, and said, "Do they need a chef down there in Juneau? I know that that is what he enjoys doing." She cheerfully debased them, implying they weren't qualified for leadership without ever saying anything of the sort.

She had eaten those politicians for breakfast. Now, Biden is definitely a much bigger cornflake with his decades of experience

in the senate and nearly as much experience with foreign policy as John McCain.

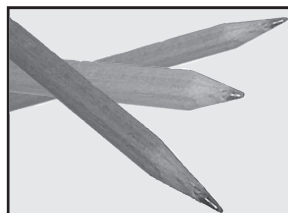
Biden knows how to slam Republicans. He burned former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani by saying, "There's only three things he mentions in a sentence: a noun, and a verb and 9/11."

But Biden definitely has his weaknesses. He is painfully longwinded, he seems to have trouble distinguishing between fact and fantasy, he lets his honest opinion slip to Obama's dismay, he says some really, terribly odd things, and worst of all, no one knows him because the media doesn't find him interesting enough to cover.

In a CBS interview last week, Biden said back in 1929, Franklin D. Roosevelt appeared before the nation on television to explain the stock market crash. Unfortunately for him, Herbert Hoover was president in 1929, and televisions weren't household items until at least a decade later. When asked about his own campaign's commercial that mocked Sen. John McCain's lack of computer skills, Biden slipped and called the ad "terrible." He once touted Obama as "the first mainstream African American who is articulate and bright and clean and a nice-looking guy." A few months earlier he publicly remarked about the prevalence of Indian accents in Dunkin' Donuts and 7-Eleven stores.

Tonight's debate starts at 7 p.m., and promises to be the most colorful, dynamic and entertaining event in the whole campaign. And it actually matters. It's Palin's last chance to convince Americans that she has what it takes, and perhaps Biden's only chance to appear before a sizable national audience. Do yourself a favor and watch it.

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# Gardener maintains university flora for over 25 years

Kayla Matzke  
MONTANA KAIMIN

It may be hard to believe that the woman in charge of the University Center's gardens and indoor plants doesn't carry a botany or horticulture degree.

But Kelly Chadwick doesn't need a degree to prove that she knows plants and has a way with them. Just walk around the gardens outside the UC or roam the inside to see the tropical exotics thriving.

Chadwick, a UM gardener for 25 years, is in charge of all of the plants inside and outside the UC, in the School of Law, and in the Lommason Center. Her day-to-day work ranges from basic plant care like watering and pruning to replanting and working on new projects in the gardens.

Chadwick has a liberal arts degree and was a nurse before she came to the university. "I didn't know what I was going to do. I took everything. I was intimidated by the sciences," she said.

But she has always had an interest in plants. Most of Chadwick's friends are botanists or horticulturists, so she is surrounded by some of the best plant people in the state and in the Northwest, she said.

Chadwick, who is self educated, said she's learned a lot from studying and watching plants outdoors. Her hands are always in the soil, but she wouldn't have it any

other way.

"I really do like what I do. I have a passion for doing what I do," she said.

Chadwick is an active member of the Native Plant Society, which gives her a unique take on gardening. She is aware of the ecology and environment she plants in, she said. She is very cautious of weeds, not garden weeds, but noxious weeds. Chadwick said she doesn't want to introduce a new foreign plant that could cause harm.

"I take a different approach in gardening which makes it more interesting," she said.

Chadwick is also on the Campus Arboretum Committee, and one of the group's philosophies is a commitment to planting species from North America.

But not all the plants cared for by Chadwick are natives. Some of the plants on the outside of the building are herbs – many of which the University Catering Services uses.

Many of the plants are medicinal, and some of them are poisonous. Chadwick said she is also growing drought-tolerant grasses.

When Chadwick came to UM, the plants inside the UC were hardly what they are now. When the building was erected in 1968, natives were planted but almost all of them died – they didn't have a chilling winter period to go dormant because they were inside.



Kenneth Billington/Montana Kaimin

Kelly Chadwick, a gardener in the UC for 25 years, waters plants on the third floor Tuesday afternoon. "It's a passion, I love what I do. There are unlimited things to learn," Chadwick said.

But one stayed alive – the big fig tree in the middle of the UC. She said it's at least 36 years old.

Chadwick spent two years replacing the soil and planting new plants in the UC when she came to UM. The soil was toxic and it was too salty for the plants, she said.

She spends at least three days per week watering the plants in all three locations.

Most of the plants in gardens

outside are perennials, she said, but new annuals are planted each year.

Chadwick doesn't just water and prune the plants. She also works to maintain a healthy atmosphere for the plants by killing pests.

"I've released several predator insects" in the UC, she said.

Chadwick said the insects aren't harmful to humans, and they would die if they ever made

it outside since they are from the tropics.

One type of insect – a mealybug destroyer, or *Cryptoleamus* – kills the pests that feed off the juices of plants.

The mealybug destroyer is like a ladybug, she said. In its adult form it's the size of a little beetle that has a small, dark orange body.

Chadwick said she has also re-

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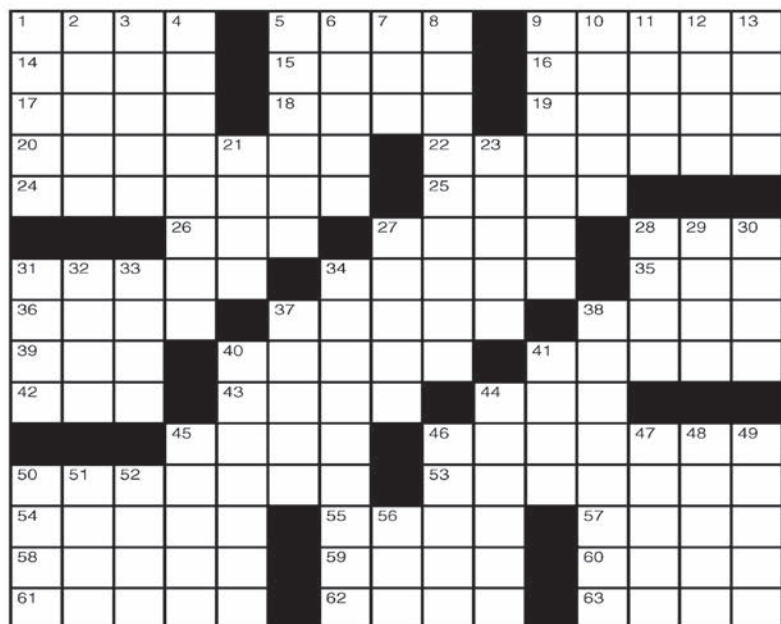
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- 9 France's longest river
- 14 Borodin's prince
- 15 Declare
- 16 Rowed the boat
- 17 Evil
- 18 Allot
- 19 By means of
- 20 Senior
- 22 General pardon
- 24 Crabbily
- 25 Droops
- 26 Tax letters
- 27 Certain
- 28 Say more
- 31 Combine
- 34 Strongholds
- 35 Soil turner
- 36 Fabled canal
- 37 Tricky
- 38 Medieval peon
- 39 In days past
- 40 Kitchen implement
- 41 Midsection, informally
- 42 Plat section
- 43 Mine finds
- 44 Nurse, as a drink
- 45 Huff and puff
- 46 Siberian plains
- 50 More crude
- 53 Deluge
- 54 Distribute
- 55 Unbarred
- 57 Relax
- 58 Sifting utensil
- 59 Fairy-tale creature
- 60 Pond cover
- 61 Watered, as a lawn
- 62 Enthusiasts
- 63 Females of the species

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- 2 Nimble
- 3 Hollow forms
- 4 Level of esteem
- 5 Dromedaries, e.g.
- 6 \_\_\_ once in a while



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## Fixing a broken gas line



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Firefighters John Petroff and Tavis Campbell stand ready with the hose, while Northwest Energy workers repair a ruptured gas line. The break was caused by a Swank Enterprises dig near an unmarked gas line around the new Interdisciplinary Science Building on the south side of campus.

## LOANS

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dized student loans are set by Congress and will also not be affected by the current economic climate.

"Montana students who have secured federally subsidized students loans, such as Stafford Loans, will not be subject to changing interest rates or repayment terms," Baucus' office said.

Baucus was quoted in the statement as saying one of his top priorities is to make education more

affordable, and he will keep that in mind when a bailout package bill arrives on his desk in the Senate.

"I'm making sure the solutions included in the economic rescue plan are right for Montana's students and future students," Baucus said.

On Wednesday, Sen. Jon Tester said in a press release that he would vote against the most recent version of the bailout plan.

"I don't believe it's tough enough to protect American taxpayers and small businesses. It doesn't require the common sense

regulations needed to prevent this mess from happening again," Tester said in the release. "It doesn't go far enough in stripping golden parachutes from the bad actors on Wall Street. And it passes too much debt on to our kids and our grandkids."

Hansen said low-income students are in much better shape this year than before, with Pell Grants going up \$421 in value, and maximum Stafford Loans growing from \$3,500 a year last year to \$5,500 this year.

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leased tiny wasps the size of a head of a pin to kill pests.

"When I say I release wasps people get scared," she said.

Chadwick said she releases 10,000 at a time, and then she never sees them again.

The outside gardens occupy Chadwick for most of the summer while she just keeps the plants alive inside.

In the winter Chadwick focuses on the indoor tropics at the UC.

Chadwick has several students help her.

In the fall she has about 20 hours of student help, and she said she is supposed to have 45 hours

of help in the summer.

She said she gets many compliments on the gardens.

"I do get a lot of feedback, which is nice," she said.

People tell her the gardens are beautiful even though she said, "I know they are a mess; they need work."

The plants inside the UC make it a place to go on a grey winter day. They break up the sound that echoes in the rock building and soften the area and offer private nooks.

The plants also naturally detoxify the air and add humidity, Chadwick said.

There is always something to do, Chadwick said.

"I have too much work. I could probably learn about plants forever and not know everything," she said.

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# Lacrosse team looks for support despite top record

Colter Nunez

MONTANA KAIMIN

If someone were to ask a Missoula resident what University of Montana sports team most recently won a national championship, most would answer the Grizzly football team. And while the answer does play in Washington-Grizzly Stadium and Montana has captured the national title twice since 1995, it is not the Grizzlies of the gridiron who have the most recent trophy of national prominence.

It is the University of Montana men's lacrosse team.

Montana captured the 2007 Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association Division B national title to limited fanfare. Lacrosse is not a varsity sport sponsored by the Montana athletic department, but a club sport with the majority of funding coming from within the team. It may not be on the level of Grizzly football, but new head coach Ryan Hanavan and his top assistant, Kevin Flynn, have spent the better part of the last decade trying to change that.

Hanavan, who served as the head coach for the University of Idaho club team for the past two seasons, has seen lacrosse grow exponentially at the University of Montana since his days as an undergraduate in the late 1990s.

"I was actually the guy who went to petition for entrance into the (Pacific Northwest Collegiate Lacrosse) league back when the program first started," said Hanavan, who graduated from Montana in 2001 after serving as a player-coach for the Montana club team during his initial stay in Montana.

After graduation, Hanavan, a native of Orchard Park, N.Y., returned to New York to attend Syracuse. He left behind a program that was but a blip on the national ra-



Kelly Black /Montana Kaimin

Senior Gordon Marshall, left, competes for the ball against junior Henry "Hank" Sulzbacher during lacrosse practice on Wednesday at Dornblaser Field. The men's lacrosse team was preparing for a tournament that starts Saturday at 1 p.m. at South Campus stadium.

dar. Montana lacrosse didn't start to ascend to its present heights until current assistant and former player-coach Flynn took hold of the reins.

"We needed to get everyone on the team on the same page as to what our purpose was, was the main thing," said Flynn, who played and coached Montana's run to the national title in 2007 before

giving way to his good friend, Hanavan. "When I first got here, it was more like an intramural team than a club sport. But in the summers of 2004 and 2005 we really made an effort to become a competitive program."

When Flynn first arrived at Montana, the team consisted of about 15 players and won only one game. Now UM conducts tryouts

to help keep the numbers down and will field two full squads for the second annual Montana Lacrosse Shootout this weekend.

Flynn said he and Hanavan recruit players, but not in the traditional sense. Since the lacrosse team has no direct affiliation with UM or its athletic department, no financial benefits can be offered to potential recruits. Montana has

used the school's location, the campus' beauty and online recruiting surveys as ways of luring players to Missoula. A good amount of Montana's players also transfer from varsity programs that like what the Garden City has to offer.

"Kids that are scholarship players and not scholarship players alike sometimes decide they don't

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Charles Pulliam

MONTANA KAIMIN

Four Big Sky Conference football games are slated for this weekend, while Northern Colorado's trip to California to play UC Davis marks this week's only non-conference game. Both Montana schools will play their first league games. Third-ranked Montana travels to Weber State and Montana State plays at Idaho State.

## No. 11 Eastern Washington (1-0, 2-2) at Portland State (0-1, 1-3)

Besides being the top passing offenses in the Big Sky, both the Eagles and the Vikings allow more than 35 points per game. For Eastern Washington, quarterback Matt Nichols leads the league in total offense, averaging 325.2 yards per game, while his team averages a league best 36.2 points per game. The Eagles also allow 371 passing yard, a number not far from Portland State's average of 356.5. The Vikings manage 33.5 yards

rushing per game, compared to the Eagles' 105. Nichols, this week's BSC Offensive Player of the Week, has two favorite receivers in Tony Davis and Aaron Boyce. Davis has recorded 30 catches and Boyce 22 through four games. In the Eagles' win against Idaho State, Eastern Washington posted 13 tackles for losses and five sacks. The Eagles enter the game on a two-game win streak, beating Western Washington and Idaho State, its first BSC game of the season. The Vikings lone win is against Western Oregon. Last weekend, Sacramento State beat Portland State 41-31 in the Vikings' league opener. Eastern Washington has lost the last two matchups against Portland State.

## Montana State (0-0, 2-2) at Idaho State (0-1, 0-4)

The Bobcats are coming off a win against first-year Division I school South Dakota, which is in its transition year after moving up from D-II. Montana State leads the Big Sky in pass defense at 176.2 yards per game, something

the Coyotes found hard to overcome last weekend in a 37-18 loss. South Dakota was limited to 138 yards passing. Idaho State has yet to pick up a win this season and is on an eight-game slide stretching into last season. The Bengals are last in the league in defense, something Montana State's Demetrius Crawford could take advantage of. Crawford leads the Big Sky in rushing, averaging nearly 90 yards per game. The Bengals opened conference play last week against Eastern Washington, holding the lead until near the end before the Eagles rattled off the game's final 17 points for the win. Quarterback Russell Hill threw for his third straight 300-yard game in the loss.

## Sacramento State (1-1, 3-2) at #24 Northern Arizona (1-0, 3-1)

The Hornets will have to try to stop Northern Arizona's offense. The Lumberjacks lead the nation in total offense, averaging 475.5 yards per game as well as a league-best 212 rushing yards per

game. Sacramento State will also have to work extra hard to counter the nation's top rushing defense. Northern Arizona allows only nine rushing yards per game. After opening the season with a loss to nationally ranked FBS Arizona State, the Lumberjacks have won three straight and are ranked for the first time since 2004. The Hornets are off to the program's best start since 2000 and opened Big Sky play with a 41-31 home win against Portland State. Sacramento State's three wins already match their last season's total. Bryan Hilliard leads the Hornets on the ground, averaging 88.7 yards rushing, while freshman Deionte Gordon was co-defensive Player of the Week for the Big Sky after leading the team with eight tackles and turning a deflected pass into a 15-yard touchdown.

## Northern Colorado (0-3) at UC Davis (1-4)

Northern Colorado will play its final non-conference game of the season against the Aggies. UC Da-

vis, of the Great West Conference, has already played two games against Big Sky opponents, losing to Montana 29-24 and beating Portland State 38-24. The Bears' wide receiver Alex Thompson might recognize UC Davis quarterback Daniel Alfaro. Thompson used to catch Alfaro's passes at Damien High School. Aggies' offensive lineman Tommy Hernandez was also a member of the same team. Quincy Wofford is coming off a big game against Northern Arizona. He returned the opening kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown, the 17<sup>th</sup> player in Big Sky history to do so, in nail-biting 25-22 loss to Northern Arizona last weekend. Linebacker Cristian Sarmento anchors the Bears' defense. He has recorded at least 10 tackles in his 11 straight FCS game. He tallied 19 against the Lumberjacks. Sacramento averages 13.67 tackles per game. The last time these two teams met, the Aggies posted a 38-7 victory at Northern Colorado in 2006.

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# Around the Big Sky



# Selvig anxious for Lady Griz season to begin

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Only 16 days remain before Montana women's basketball practice officially gets underway, which will also jump-start a campaign that is sure to be memorable.

After all, Robin Selvig will begin his 31st season just three wins away from 700 career victories. Only eight other coaches in Division I basketball have accomplished that mark.

And Selvig returns an arsenal of experience off last year's Big Sky Conference Champion team that earned a 13 seed in the NCAA Tournament including conference tournament MVP Mandy Morales; Big Sky defensive player of the year Britney Lohman; and the nation's top three-point shooter Sonya Rogers.

Add returning starter Tamara Guardipee in the post, and the

nucleus of Montana returns from last year's squad despite the graduation of Johanna Closson, Laura Cote and Dana Conway.

"I'm anxious to get out there and work with them," Selvig said. "Obviously we lost Jo and Laura and Dana, who all played a lot. So there are a lot of new roles."

Those new roles could be pivotal for the Lady Griz, who return over half of their starting scoring input (43 points per game), including Morales at 16 points per game and Rogers at 12.

The Lady Griz will have nine returning lettermen, including junior wing Lauren Beck and sophomore Sarah Ena, a 5-foot-11 hybrid forward who had a fine freshman year in reserve duties for Montana, averaging five points and three rebounds for the Lady Griz.

Selvig will also have a solid batch of newcomers at his disposal, including point guard Shaunte

Nance Johnson, a transfer from Yakima Valley Community College.

The recruiting class consists of guard Tianna Ware from Bakersfield, Calif., and Montana signees Ashley Ferda from Whitefish and Ali Hurley from Anaconda. The 5-foot-11 Hurley was one of the state's most coveted recruits last season out of Anaconda High School.

No decision will be made on red shirts until the team's first game on Nov. 17.

A busy off-season served as a segue into the 2008-2009 season. Selvig inked a new three-year contract, which carries a base salary of \$135,000, a deal that very well could carry him to 800 wins.

But just as the program locked up their longtime skipper for another three years this summer, they also lost the three year future of freshman Dvera Tolbert. Tolbert left the program in August, which

Selvig said was a personal decision on her behalf.

"She just didn't return," he said, noting that her scholarship wasn't filled after she left. The Hardin native averaged eight minutes and 3.1 points per game last season.

Another stamp of the off-season was Selvig's designs on a brutal non-conference schedule, coming just months after Montana struggled with Southeastern Conference member Vanderbilt in the NCAA Tournament. Montana will host three teams that beat them a year ago: Wyoming, Boise State and Gonzaga.

On Thanksgiving weekend, Montana will travel to Cancun, Mexico for the Caribbean Challenge, where they will meet Illinois and Maryland, who is ranked second in the preseason national polls. Throw in a trip to Oregon in early December, followed with home games against Colorado State and Portland, and Mon-

tana will face one of its toughest schedules in recent memory.

"It's a really tough schedule," Selvig said. "It's a good schedule for us. I think we have the team that can handle it."

For now, the team is limited to just two hours a week, where the coaching staff aids them in individual workouts. But with so much experience back from last year – including Morales, a perennial nationally acclaimed player – Selvig is anxious to get back to coaching his team.

And come Oct. 17, they will set their sights on earning an 18th trip to the NCAA Tournament, where they have lost their last two encounters to Vanderbilt. Selvig's schedule certainly won't hurt in preparing them for their goal.

"We've always prided ourselves on competing on a national level," he said. "And our schedule is certainly on a national level." *roman.stubbs@umontana.edu*

## LACROSSE

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like their current situation but are still looking to play lacrosse," Hanavan said. "Missoula is a pretty easy sell, the University of Montana is a pretty easy sell. So when you let them know that we also have a pretty decent lacrosse team, it really helps out."

Flynn has also tried to increase lacrosse's exposure and popularity locally and statewide, as Montana does not offer lacrosse even as a high school sport. He has even hit the recruiting trail.

"The makeup of our team has really shifted demographically," Flynn said. "We used to be made up of almost all East Coast guys but now our roster consists of kids from coast to coast. I spend almost all summer every summer just going to high school tournaments just trying to get our name out there."

Flynn's efforts finally came to

fruition two springs ago as Montana rolled over Saint Johns 15-5 to capture the MCLA-B championship with Hanavan assisting Flynn as a coach. Four Grizzlies were named All-Americans.

But Montana never got a chance to be the big dog on the block, as they moved up from division two (formerly div. B) to division one of the PNCLL to pursue better competition.

"The level of play in division one versus division two is similar to the divisions in football," Hanavan said. "It's the difference between USC and Montana football. The competition is still good, but Montana just had the resources and the players to make the move."

In their first year in division one last year, Montana finished 10-4 overall and reached the Final Four of the PNCLL, hosted in Missoula at Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Hanavan earned his degree in entomology from the University of Idaho in 2008 and took a job with

the U.S. Forest Service in Missoula studying bark beetles and fire. After exhausting his eligibility as a player, Flynn readily relinquished head coaching duties to Hanavan and stayed on as an assistant. With recent success, Hanavan said he is optimistic about the future.

"It's great to be back in Missoula with such a talented program," said Hanavan on the Grizzly lacrosse Web site following his hiring. "I feel like we have the pieces in place to compete on a national level and I'm looking forward to that opportunity."

The Montana Lacrosse Shootout will feature eight men's teams, including Hanavan's former University of Idaho along with PNCLL rivals Montana State and Gonzaga. There will also be women's and high school exhibition games along with clinics and officiating certification. The competition kicks off on Saturday morning at Dornblaser Field.

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## Travis Henry arrested after alleged cocaine deal

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DENVER – Former Denver Broncos running back Travis Henry has been arrested following an alleged cocaine deal, the Drug Enforcement Administration said Wednesday.

Henry and James Mack were arrested a day earlier after the two met to buy cocaine from a person who was cooperating with authorities, according to an arrest warrant affidavit.

Mack and Henry were in federal custody on suspicion of knowingly and intentionally conspiring to distribute and possess with intent to distribute cocaine. They were advised of charges Wednesday. A preliminary hearing and detention hearing were scheduled for Monday.

It was not immediately known whether Mack had an attorney. Henry's attorney, Harvey Steinberg, confirmed he was representing Henry in the case but declined to comment on the charges when reached by The Associated Press.

The case has its roots in Montana, where a trooper and DEA agent stopped a car that was carrying six pounds of marijuana and about three kilograms of cocaine on Sept. 16, the affidavit said.

A passenger in the car, whose name was not disclosed in the affidavit, told authorities Mack and Henry had supplied him with the drugs, which he was supposed to

deliver to customers in Billings. The man said he was supposed to be paid \$5,000 for delivering the drugs and transporting about \$63,600 in sales proceeds to Henry, according to the affidavit.

The affidavit indicated that separately, the passenger and another customer in Billings already owed Henry about \$40,000 in drug proceeds. The passenger told authorities Henry had threatened him and his family over the debt.

The passenger agreed to cooperate with authorities and set up a drug deal Tuesday with Henry that led to the arrests of Mack and Henry, the affidavit said.

Broncos coach Mike Shanahan declined comment Wednesday, saying it wouldn't be fair to say anything until he knew the facts of the case.

Henry was released from the Broncos June 2, when Shanahan said his commitment was lacking.

Henry signed a five-year, \$22.5 million contract with the Broncos before the 2007 season, but was dogged during training camp by a sprained left knee.

Henry rushed for 691 yards on 167 carries with four touchdowns in his one season in Denver, which was marked by a successful appeal of a one-year NFL suspension over a failed drug test.

If convicted as charged, Henry and Mack face up to life in prison and a \$4 million fine.

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# Bailout passes Senate, House foes soften

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One spectacular failure, the \$700 billion financial industry bailout found a second life Wednesday, winning lopsided passage in the Senate and gaining ground in the House, where Republicans' opposition softened.

Senators loaded the economic rescue bill with tax breaks and other sweeteners before passing it by a wide margin, 74-25, a month before the presidential and congressional elections.

In the House, leaders were working feverishly to convert enough opponents of the bill to push it through by Friday, just days after lawmakers there stunningly rejected an earlier version and sent markets plunging around the globe.

The measure didn't cause the same uproar in the Senate, where both parties' presidential candidates, Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama, made rare appearances to cast "aye" votes, as did Obama's running mate, Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware.

In the final vote, 39 Democrats, 34 Republicans and independent Sen. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut voted "yes." Nine Democrats, 15 Republicans and independent Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont voted "no."

President Bush issued a statement praising the Senate's move. With the revisions, Bush said, "I believe members of both parties in the House can support this legislation. The American people expect and our economy demands that the House pass this good bill this week and send it to my desk."

The rescue package lets the

government spend billions of dollars to buy bad mortgage-related securities and other devalued assets held by troubled financial institutions. If successful, advocates say, that would allow frozen credit to begin flowing again and prevent a deep recession.

Even as the Senate voted, House leaders were hunting for the 12 votes they would need to turn around Monday's 228-205 defeat. They were especially targeting the 133 Republicans who voted "no."

Their opposition appeared to be easing after the Senate added \$110 billion in tax breaks for businesses and the middle class, plus a provision to raise, from \$100,000 to \$250,000, the cap on federal deposit insurance.

They were also cheering a decision Tuesday by the Securities and Exchange Commission to ease rules that force companies to devalue assets on their balance sheets to reflect the price they can get on the market.

There were worries, though, that the tax breaks would cause some conservative-leaning "Blue Dog" Democrats who voted for the rescue Monday to abandon it. The bill doesn't designate a way to pay for many of the tax cuts, and Blue Dogs typically oppose any measure that swells the deficit.

"I'm concerned about that," said Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md., the majority leader.

Raising the deposit insurance limit — along with the SEC's accounting change — helped House Republicans claim credit for some substantive changes. And with constituent feedback changing dramatically since Monday's shocking House defeat and the corresponding market plunge,

lawmakers' comfort level with the package increased markedly.

Rep. John Shadegg, R-Ariz., who voted "no" on Monday, said he was leaning toward switching, and Rep. Steve LaTourette, R-Ohio, said he was "getting there." Several others were weighing a flip, said Republican officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because the lawmakers had not yet announced how they would vote.

Leaders in both parties, as well as private economic chiefs everywhere, said Congress must quickly approve some version of the bailout measure to start loans flowing and stave off a potential national economic disaster.

"This is what we need to do right now to prevent the possibility of a crisis turning into a catastrophe," Obama said on the Senate floor. In Missouri, before flying to Washington to vote, McCain said, "If we fail to act, the gears of our economy will grind to a halt."

Critics on the right and left assailed the rescue plan, which has been panned by their constituents as a giveaway for Wall Street, and has little obvious direct benefit for ordinary Americans.

Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C., a leading conservative, said the step was "leading us into the pit of socialism."

Sanders, a self-described socialist, said the rescue was fundamentally unfair.

"The masters of the universe, those brilliant Wall Street insiders who have made more money than the average American can even dream of, have brought our financial system to the brink of collapse," Sanders said, and are demanding that the middle class "pick up the pieces that they broke."

very approachable for the students," he said.

While people waited for the clouds to clear, Ware walked around the circle handing out chocolate in his honor.

David Dick, a graduate student in anthropology, helped out in the astronomy labs over the last four years and at the Blue Mountain Observatory during summers, where he said he got to know David well.

"Dave enjoyed many aspects of astronomy, and being able to show the public the galaxies and nebulae was something he really enjoyed," Dick said. "He would've really enjoyed this."

Maggie Driscoll and her younger daughter, Caitlin, came to the

party out of respect for David and for her older daughter, Erin, who couldn't make it to the star party. Erin graduated from UM in May with a bachelor's degree in physics and is working toward her master's in physics at the University of Oregon.

"(Erin) had so much respect for him," Maggie said. "She spoke very highly of him all the time."

During the two-hour party the telescopes were set up and people came and went, giving their condolences to Diane and searching the sky for objects David loved to observe.

"This was just the kind of thing Dave would've loved," Diane said.

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## ASUM

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their previous grade in the course unless they pay \$100 to get the old grade completely replaced with the new grade.

ASUM President Trevor Hunter opposes the new policy because, although it lowers the fee for replacing a grade, it also imposes a fee on students who wouldn't have had to pay to retake a class before and doesn't give them the option of averaging the two grades.

Hunter called for a suspension of the senate's house rules so that a resolution stating ASUM's opposition to the policy could go before the full senate before being discussed in the Relations and Affairs committee. He urged the senate to take a strong position on the policy.

"This needs to pass with unanimous consent," he said.

The senate debated for over an hour before unanimously approving the resolution opposing the new fee.

"It was an important discussion on how ASUM and students need to go forward in their approach to speaking with the administration regarding this retake fee," said ASUM senator Tony Brockman, who sits on the ASCRC and initially voted in favor of the policy.

One of the main topics of discussion was the administration's insistence that the new plan generate the same amount of money as the old system, approximately \$110,000, so the university isn't losing revenue.

It was for that reason that President George Dennison did not approve a plan put forth by the ASUM and faculty senates in spring 2007 to abolish a retake fee completely.

Hunter said the retake fee was initially introduced in 1995 because classrooms were too small to hold all the students signing

up for classes. Now that this is no longer the case, he said, the money has simply become revenue for the university and they're not willing to give it up.

"This was never meant to be a revenue stream for the university," he said.

ASUM Business Manager Alex Gosline said the university has likely already budgeted the money they expect to get from the retake fees to cover costs next year.

"I'd really love to know what they're spending that money on and why they need it so bad," said ASUM Sen. Mary Martin.

Many senators felt the proposed \$50 fee was unfair to students, especially since they would have to pay it before they know if they're going to pass the class.

"I just think from a business end, this is just a bunch of bull," said ASUM Sen. Whitney Sjöström. "We're getting ripped off either way."

The senate also discussed the potential appeal of the policy as a compromise between contrasting administration, faculty and student opinions, but Hunter reminded the senate to remember that they are giving a voice to students.

"Nowhere should we ever take a stance on what we think the faculty wants," he said.

ASUM Sen. Lucas Hamilton agreed.

"We shouldn't be hagglng with the people who want to nickel and dime us," he said.

The retake fee proposal was supposed to go before the faculty senate at their meeting next week, but that may not be the case if it returns to ASCRC, said Goche. Hunter will meet with the chair of the Executive Committee of the Senate to discuss the issue. The ASUM will take a stance on the issue next week.

"I don't know what will happen now, but I think we're back to the drawing board," said G.G. Weix.

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Teacher says age of 13-year-old is irrelevant

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OMAHA, Neb. — A former math teacher sentenced to federal prison for a sex crime with a minor says the age of the 13-year-old schoolboy she fled with to Mexico didn’t matter to her.

“We didn’t see age anymore. ... In my mind he quit being a teenage boy. ... to me, he was a man,” Kelsey Peterson said in a taped interview on ABC’s “Good Morning America” aired Wednesday.

Peterson, 26, was sentenced Monday to six years in federal prison and five years of supervised release. She also must register as a sex offender. She pleaded guilty in July to a charge of transporting a minor across state lines to have sex.

Peterson was the boy’s sixth-grade math teacher at Lexington Middle School in south-central Nebraska during the 2005-06

school year and started having sex with him in November 2006, according to court documents.

The pair disappeared in October, soon after the district’s superintendent confronted Peterson about allegations of an inappropriate relationship with the boy.

She was arrested a week later in Mexicali, Mexico, after the boy made a cell phone call to his family.

Peterson still faces state charges that include kidnapping, felony child abuse and first-degree sexual assault. Dawson County Attorney Elizabeth Waterman said Monday that her staff will work to get custody of Peterson so she can face those charges.

Peterson said in the ABC interview that she was drawn to the boy, then 12, and thought to herself, “I can change this guy.” She said her actions were wildly out of line with her upbringing in a Christian household.

She had expected to grow up and get married, she said, then have children and live in a house with a picket fence.

“I made choice after choice after choice that didn’t allow that,” Peterson said.

In a separate interview, her attorney, James Martin Davis, blamed the boy. Davis has publicly questioned the boy’s age, saying he was likely at least 16, despite Mexican documents and statements from the boy’s family.

The Associated Press previously named the boy as police were searching for him but stopped using his name after authorities charged Peterson with a sex crime.

Peterson also expressed remorse for how her actions have affected her family and especially her 9-year-old daughter.

“She was my life,” Peterson said. “I owe her more apologies than I can ever give.”

Curry Health Center to offer weight management classes starting today

Deborah Brae Tanner  
MONTANA KAIMIN

There are three components to weight management — the physical, the nutritional and the psychological — according to clinical psychologists at the Curry Health Center.

For the fourth year, the Curry Health Center is offering a weight management seminar beginning Thursday, Oct. 2. The seminar costs \$25 and will run for eight weeks each Thursday night from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in Room 073 of the Curry Health Center.

The seminar is taught by Cheryl Van Denburg, Sonja Tyst, an exercise therapist and fitness programs manager, and Rebecca Shern, a registered dietician.

In addition to presenting basic concepts on nutritional needs, goal setting, exercise plans and maintaining motivation, the three experts will tailor the material to the needs of the group.

Shern, the dietician, will provide information on recommended energy needs, portion control, food label reading, and emotional and

mindless eating.

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Tyst will discuss how to develop a personalized exercise program, including techniques with bands and balance balls. The goal, she said, is to learn something you can do at home, although one year the class spent one session on a tour of the Fitness and Recreation Center.

Van Denburg teaches students how to stay motivated to stick to their plans, as well as offering information on body image and the psychology of overeating.

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